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MS PATENT APPLICATION  
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): FUJIKUBO, Makoto

For: OIL PASSAGE STRUCTURE FOR ENGINE

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Twenty-Eight (28) pages
- Thirteen (13) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

Applicant does not claim priority

Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-266069 filed in JAPAN on September 11, 2002.
 

Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.

Certified copy(ies) will follow.

Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

Preliminary Amendment

Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

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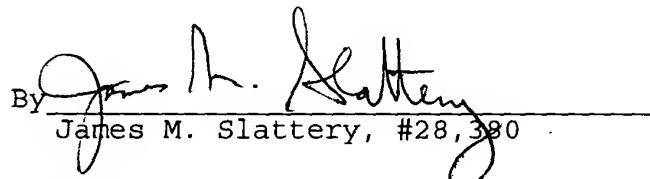
The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.

- A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
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